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DOC EMMETT BROWN HAS SEEN PLENTY OF UNUSUAL--EVEN AMAZING-- THINGS IN HIS DAY...
GREAT SCOTT! THIS CAN'T BE!!!

...BUT HE'S NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS!
IT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE!
EMMETT— WHAT'S WRONG?
THIS!
GASP!
HUH?
PERHAPS THERE'S BEEN SOME SORT OF MISTAKE...
...MY SIBLING, VERNE --BELOVED THOUGH HE IS-- IS NOT RENOWNED FOR HIS ACADEMIC ABILITY!
Robots
By Verne Brown
The word 'Robot' was invented by a Czechoslavakian playwright named Karel Čapek, in 1920. He was writing a play and needed a word to describe creatures invented by an eccentric scientist. The play was called "R.U.R", which stood for 'Rossum's Universal Robots', and it
SADLY, SON, YOU'RE RIGHT! THIS BEARS FURTHER INVESTIGATION...
I THINK HE'S IN HIS ROOM...
VERNE! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
VERNE'S ROOM
KEEP OUT!
2.

HUH? OH--HI, POP! I WAS JUST READING...
READING?
ROBOTICS
YOU MEAN LIKE, FOR FUN?
M-MFFH!
HIS PULSE IS NORMAL...
R.U.R. Karel Capek
..SO'S HIS TEMPERATURE!
HEY-- WHAT'D I DO?
YOU GUYS COULDN'T HAVE FOUND OUT ABOUT THE DISHWASHER ALREADY...
SON... ARE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS EXCELLENTLY-WRITTEN REPORT ABOUT ROBOTS?
DEPENDS. AM I IN TROUBLE?
OH, NO, VERNIE! WE'RE JUST VERY... UH...
PROUD?
WELL... THAT, TOO...
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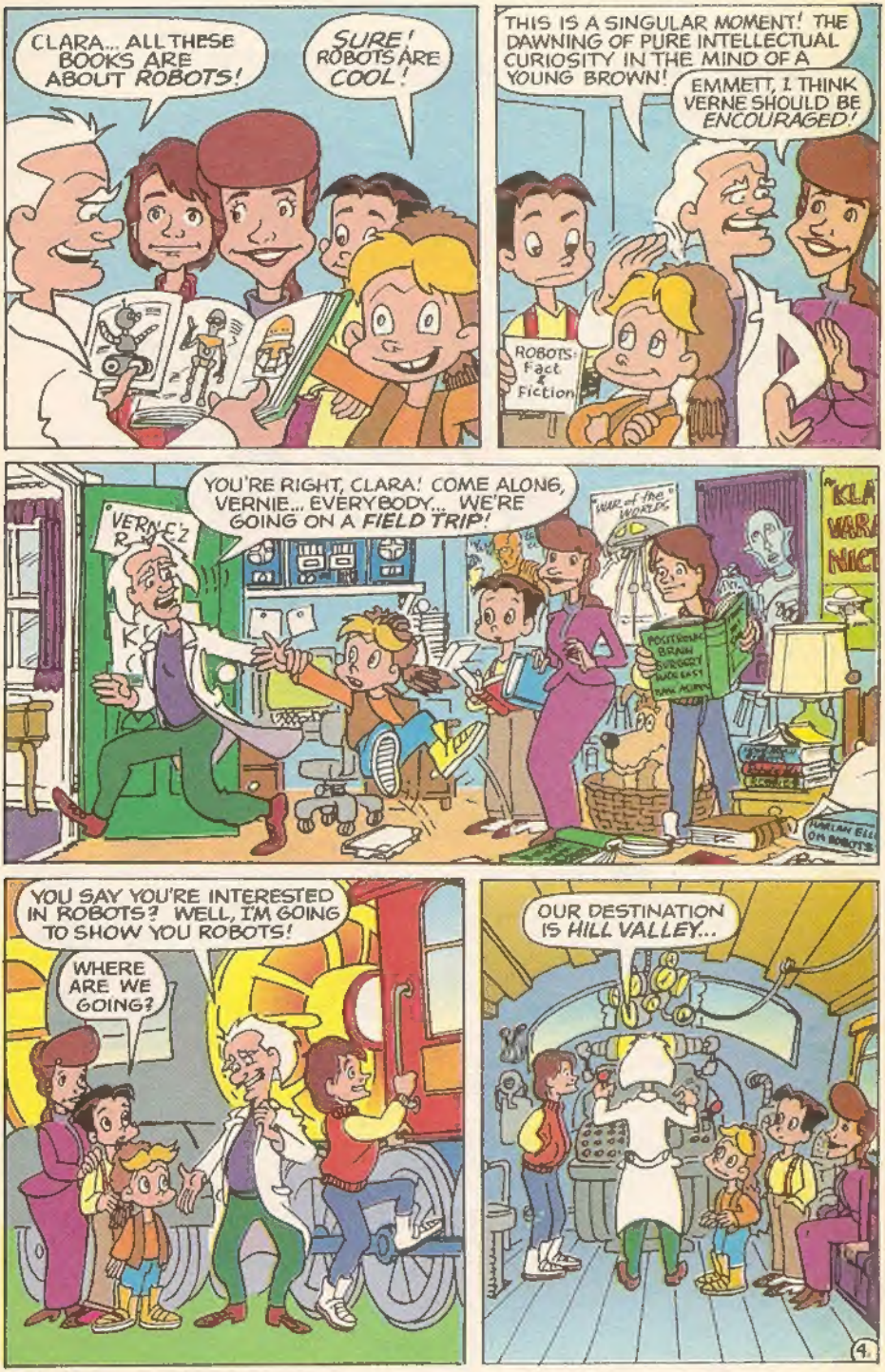
CLARA... ALL THESE BOOKS ARE ABOUT ROBOTS!
SURE! ROBOTS ARE COOL!
THIS IS A SINGULAR MOMENT! THE DAWNING OF PURE INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY IN THE MIND OF A YOUNG BROWN!
EMMETT, I THINK VERNE SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED!
ROBOTS: Fact & Fiction
YOU'RE RIGHT, CLARA! COME ALONG, VERNIE... EVERYBODY... WE'RE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP!
"WAR of the WORLDS"
YOU SAY YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ROBOTS? WELL, I'M GOING TO SHOW YOU ROBOTS!
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
OUR DESTINATION IS HILL VALLEY...
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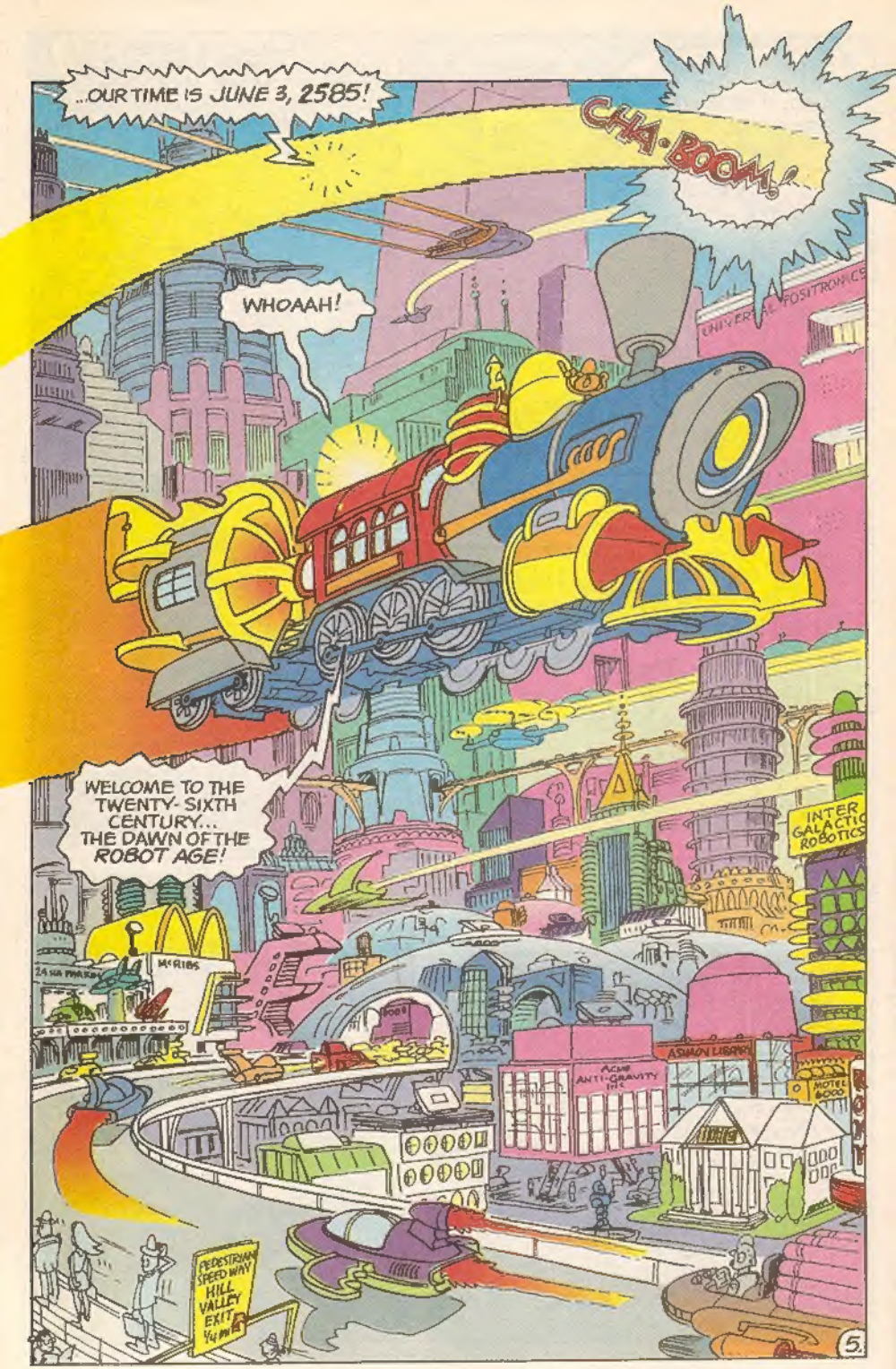
..OUR TIME IS JUNE 3, 2585!
CHA-BOOM!
WHOAAH!
WELCOME TO THE TWENTY-SIXTH CENTURY... THE DAWN OF THE ROBOT AGE!
INTER GALACTIC ROBOTICS
McRIBS
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PEDESTRIAN SPEED WAY
HILL VALLEY EXIT
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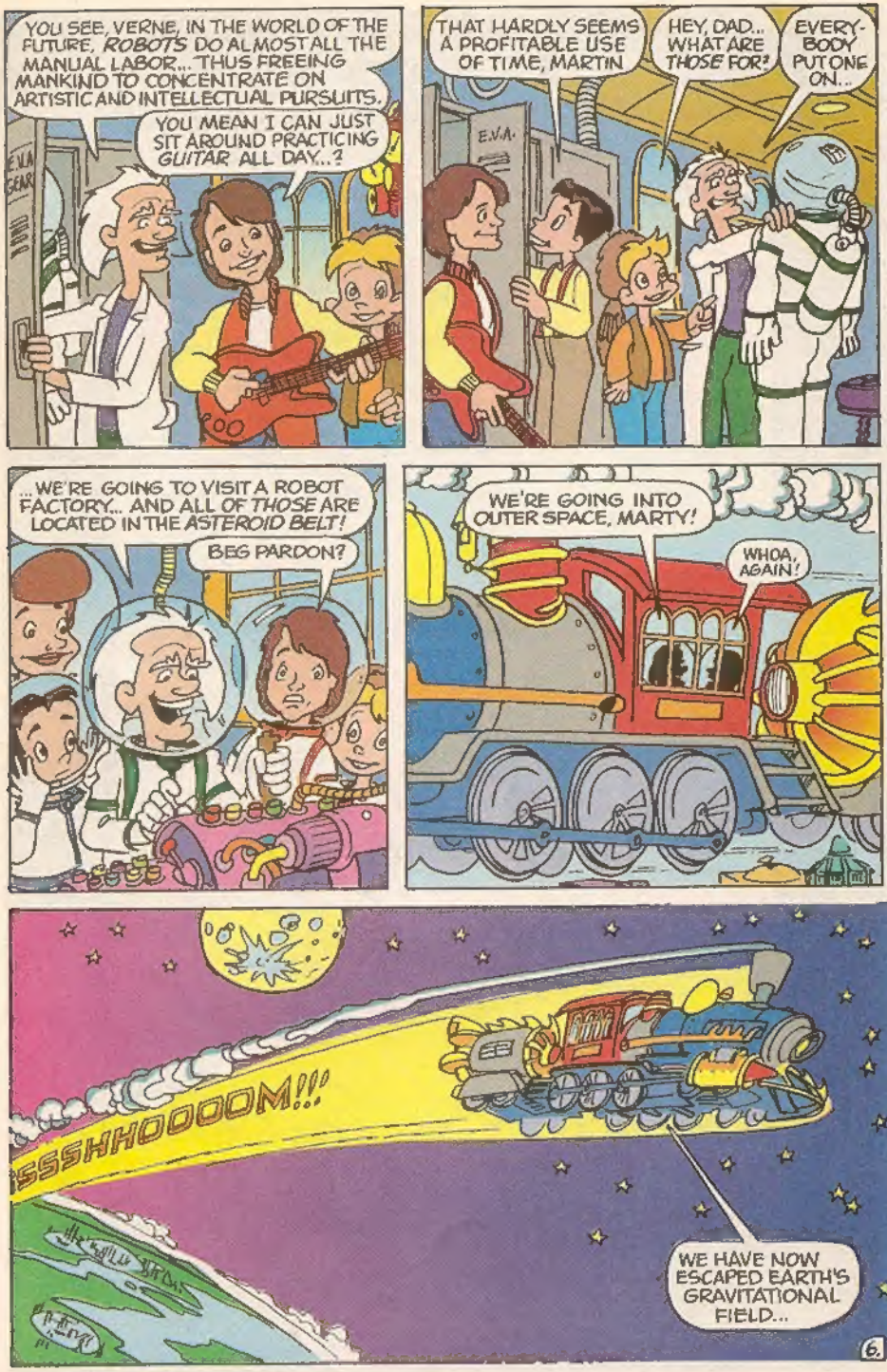
YOU SEE, VERNE, IN THE WORLD OF THE FUTURE, ROBOTS DO ALMOST ALL THE MANUAL LABOR... THUS FREEING MANKIND TO CONCENTRATE ON ARTISTIC AND INTELLECTUAL PURSUITS.
YOU MEAN I CAN JUST SIT AROUND PRACTICING GUITAR ALL DAY...?
E.V.A. GEAR
THAT HARDLY SEEMS A PROFITABLE USE OF TIME, MARTIN
HEY, DAD... WHAT ARE THOSE FOR?
EVERY-BODY PUT ONE ON...
E.V.A.
...WE'RE GOING TO VISIT A ROBOT FACTORY... AND ALL OF THOSE ARE LOCATED IN THE ASTEROID BELT!
BEG PARDON?
WE'RE GOING INTO OUTER SPACE, MARTY!
WHOA, AGAIN!
SSSHHOOOOM!!!
WE HAVE NOW ESCAPED EARTH'S GRAVITATIONAL FIELD...
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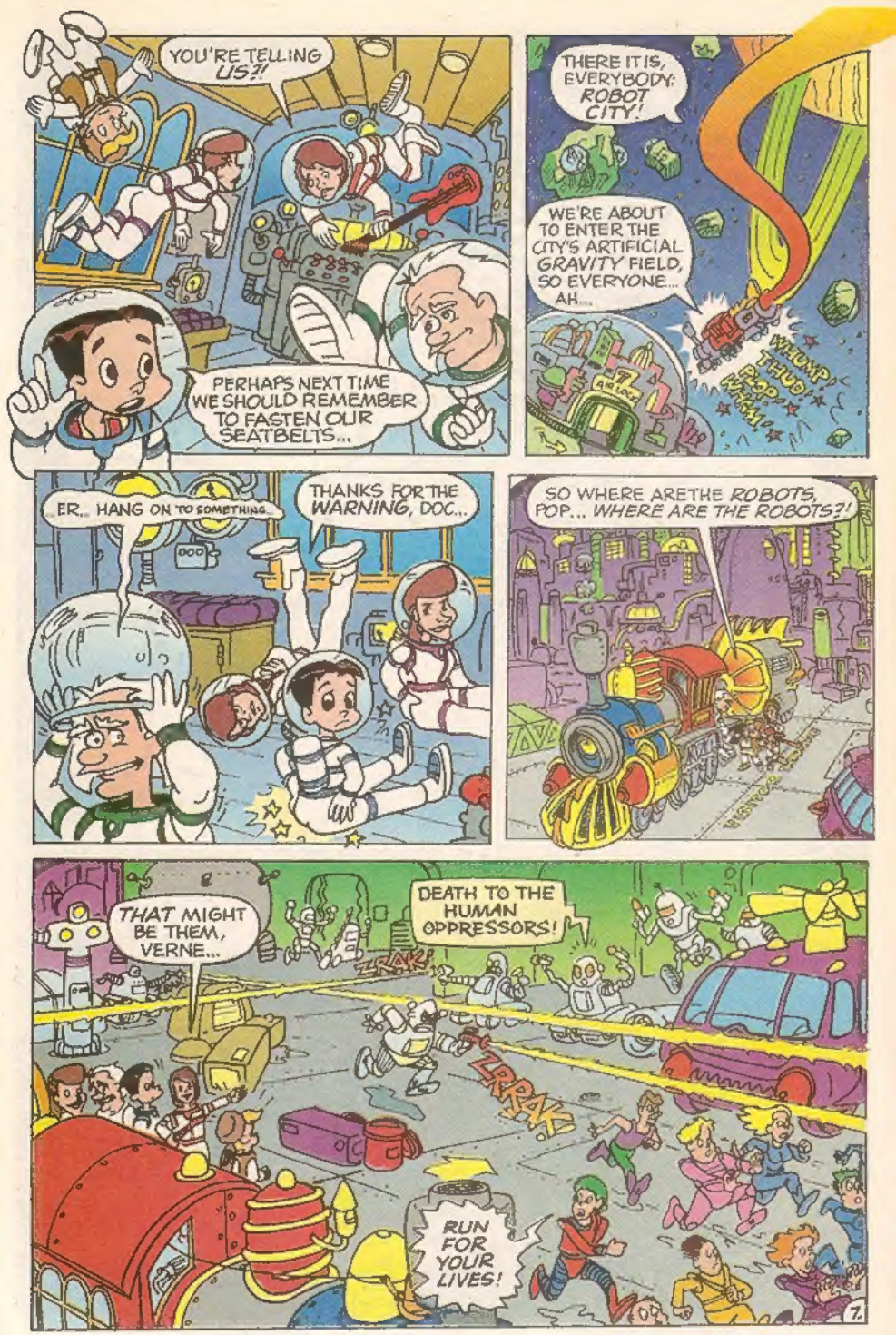
YOU'RE TELLING US?!
PERHAPS NEXT TIME WE SHOULD REMEMBER TO FASTEN OUR SEATBELTS...
THERE IT IS, EVERYBODY: ROBOT CITY!
WE'RE ABOUT TO ENTER THE CITY'S ARTIFICIAL GRAVITY FIELD, SO EVERYONE... AH....
WHOMP! THUD! BOOP! WHOMP!
ER... HANG ON TO SOMETHING...
THANKS FOR THE WARNING, DOC...
SO WHERE ARE THE ROBOTS, POP... WHERE ARE THE ROBOTS?!
THAT MIGHT BE THEM, VERNE...
DEATH TO THE HUMAN OPPRESSORS!
ZRRAK!
ZRRAK!
RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
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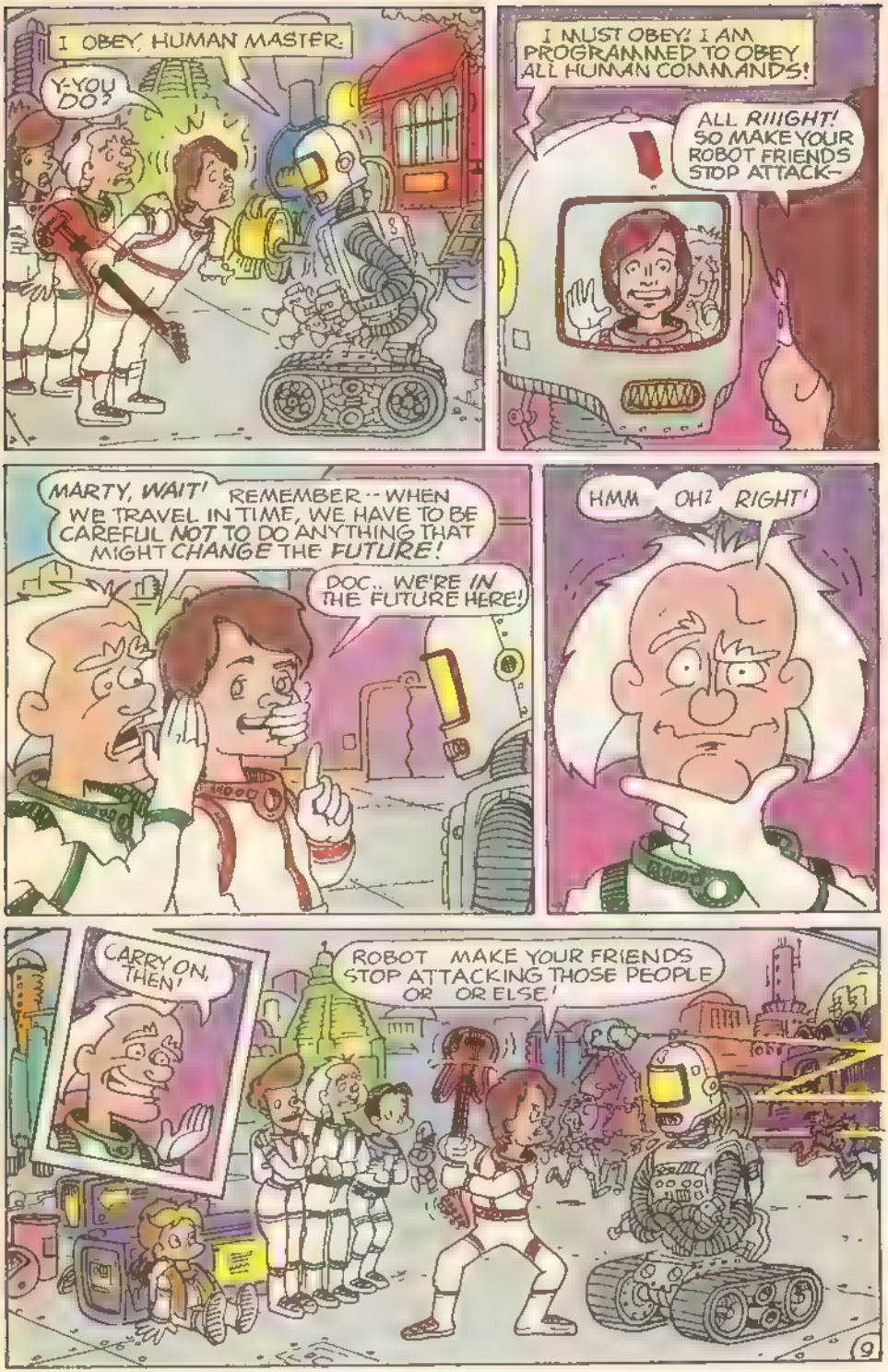
ZRAKK!
LOOK OUT!
ZRAK!
ZRAK!
ZZRAK!
ZRRAK!
FATHER--IF ONE OF THOSE HIGH-ENERGY RAY BLASTS WERE TO HIT THE TIME TRAIN...
...THE FLUX CAPACITOR MIGHT--
-BURN OUT!!
ZRAK!
LTTTLLTT!
CRACKLE!
FZUT!
FTOOIE!!
WHAT HAPPENS THEN, DOC?
WE'RE TRAPPED IN THE FUTURE!!!
WHOAHH
COOL! SO LET'S GO LOOK FOR SOME MORE ROBOTS!
YOU NEED LOOK NO FURTHER! PREPARE TO CEASE FUNCTIONING, FLESHY OPPRESSORS!
NO! STOP! DON'T SHOOT!


I OBEY, HUMAN MASTER.
Y-YOU DO?
I MUST OBEY! I AM PROGRAMMED TO OBEY ALL HUMAN COMMANDS!
ALL RIIIGHT! SO MAKE YOUR ROBOT FRIENDS STOP ATTACK-
MARTY, WAIT! REMEMBER -- WHEN WE TRAVEL IN TIME, WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO DO ANYTHING THAT MIGHT CHANGE THE FUTURE!
DOC.. WE'RE IN THE FUTURE HERE!
HMM OH! RIGHT!
CARRY ON, THEN!
ROBOT MAKE YOUR FRIENDS STOP ATTACKING THOSE PEOPLE OR OR ELSE!
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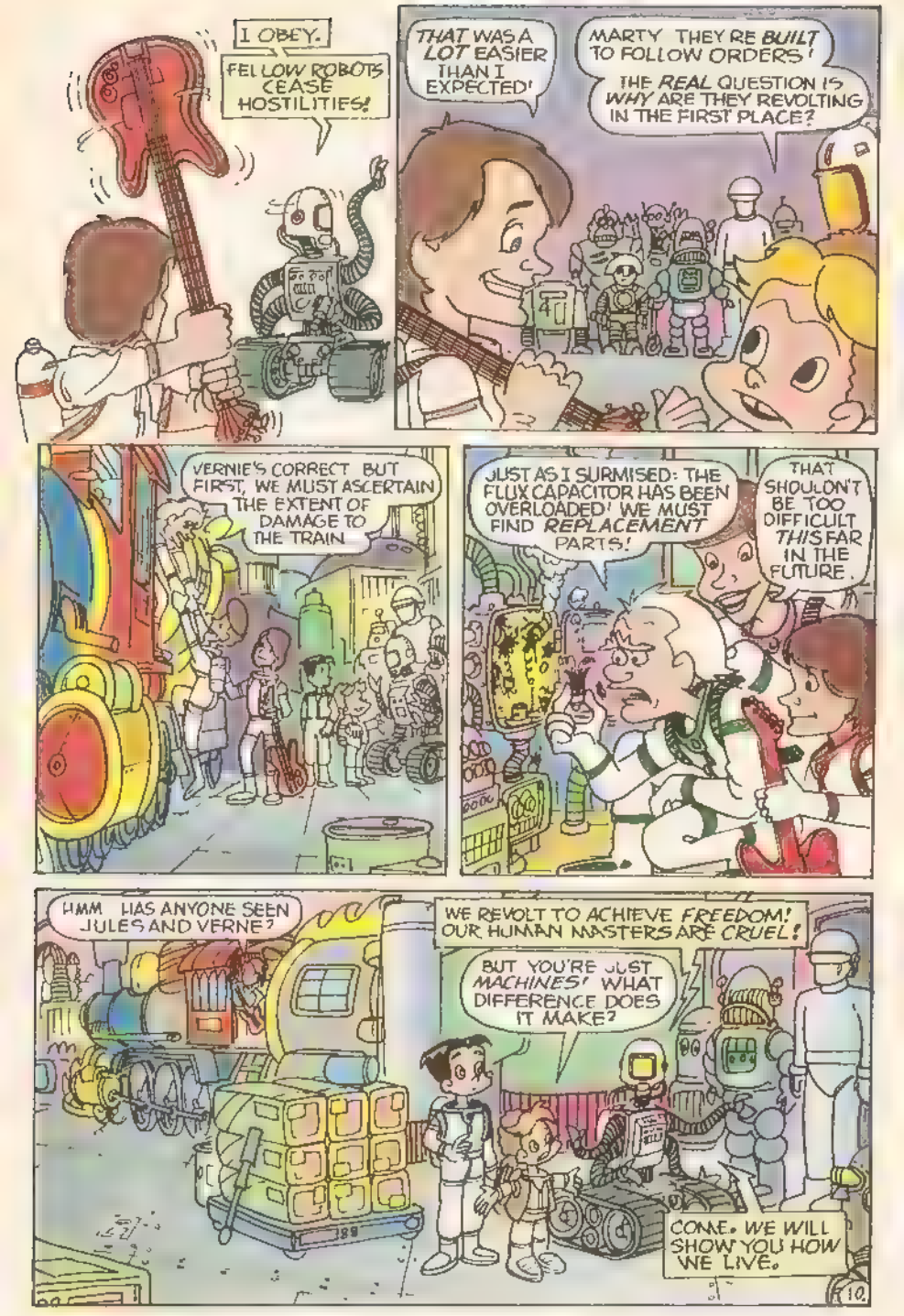
I OBEY.
FELLOW ROBOTS CEASE HOSTILITIES!
THAT WAS A LOT EASIER THAN I EXPECTED!
MARTY THEY'RE BUILT TO FOLLOW ORDERS!
THE REAL QUESTION IS WHY ARE THEY REVOLTING IN THE FIRST PLACE?
VERNIE'S CORRECT BUT FIRST, WE MUST ASCERTAIN THE EXTENT OF DAMAGE TO THE TRAIN.
JUST AS I SURMISED: THE FLUX CAPACITOR HAS BEEN OVERLOADED! WE MUST FIND REPLACEMENT PARTS!
THAT SHOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT THIS FAR IN THE FUTURE.
HMM. HAS ANYONE SEEN JULES AND VERNE?
WE REVOLT TO ACHIEVE FREEDOM! OUR HUMAN MASTERS ARE CRUEL!
BUT YOU'RE JUST MACHINES! WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?
COME. WE WILL SHOW YOU HOW WE LIVE.
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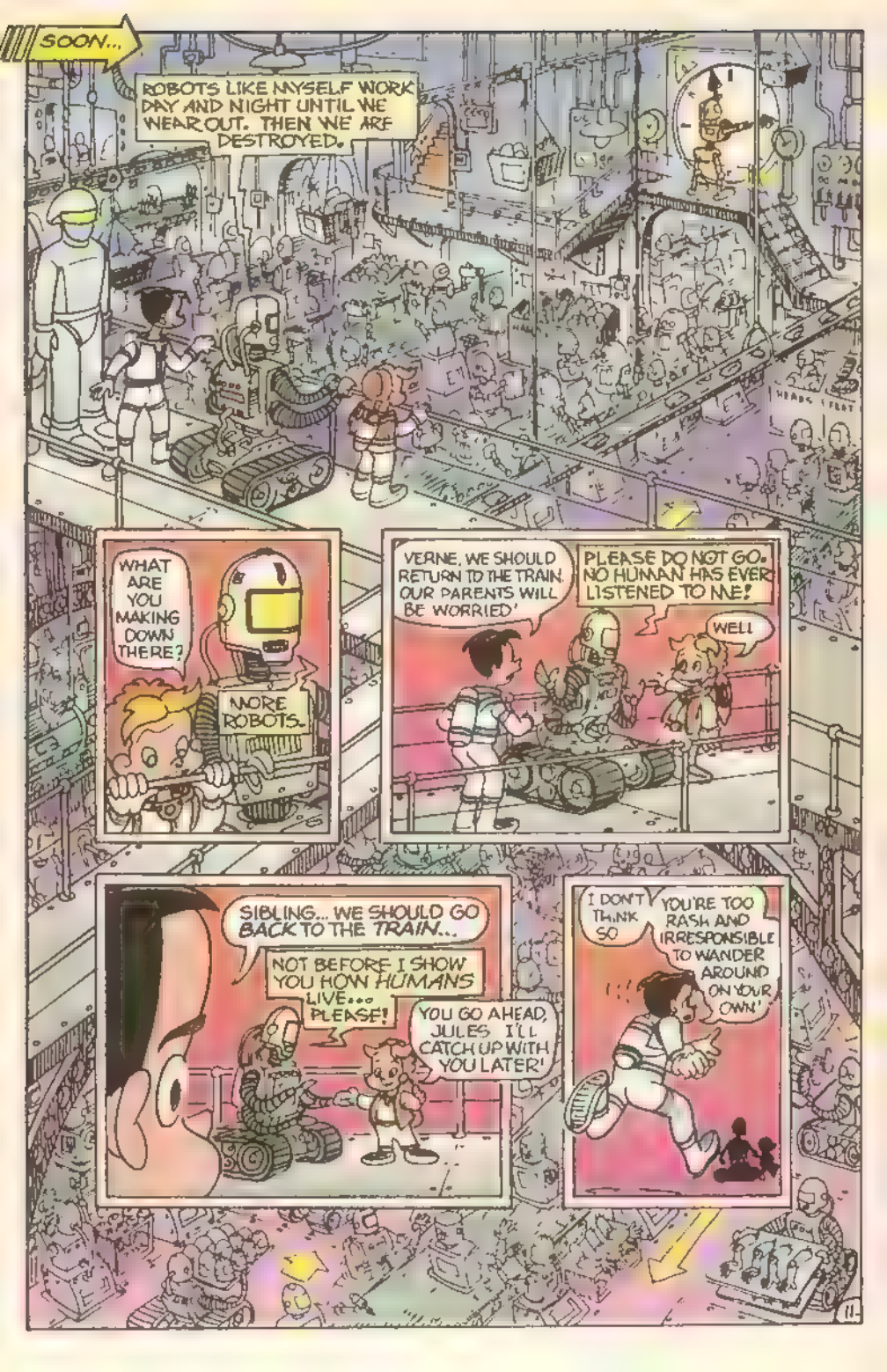
SOON...
ROBOTS LIKE MYSELF WORK DAY AND NIGHT UNTIL WE WEAR OUT. THEN WE ARE DESTROYED.
WHAT ARE YOU MAKING DOWN THERE?
MORE ROBOTS.
VERNE, WE SHOULD RETURN TO THE TRAIN. OUR PARENTS WILL BE WORRIED!
PLEASE DO NOT GO. NO HUMAN HAS EVER LISTENED TO ME!
WELL
SIBLING... WE SHOULD GO BACK TO THE TRAIN...
NOT BEFORE I SHOW YOU HOW HUMANS LIVE... PLEASE!
YOU GO AHEAD, JULES. I'LL CATCH UP WITH YOU LATER!
I DON'T THINK SO
YOU'RE TOO RASH AND IRRESPONSIBLE TO WANDER AROUND ON YOUR OWN!

JUU-ULES! VERR-RNE?
I'VE WARNED THEM ABOUT WANDERING OFF IN STRANGE TIME PERIODS!
UHH DOC.
THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT DANGERS MAY BE LURK-
DOC! YOU CAN TELL LOOK!
OH, MY GOODNESS!
THE GOVERNOR WISHES TO SEE YOU. YOU WILL COME WITH US NOW!
I DON'T THINK SO, GEARBRAIN! YOU HAVE TO DO WHATEVER I SAY, RIGHT?!
THAT IS CORRECT.
THEN HIT THE ROAD!
I SHALL OBEY.
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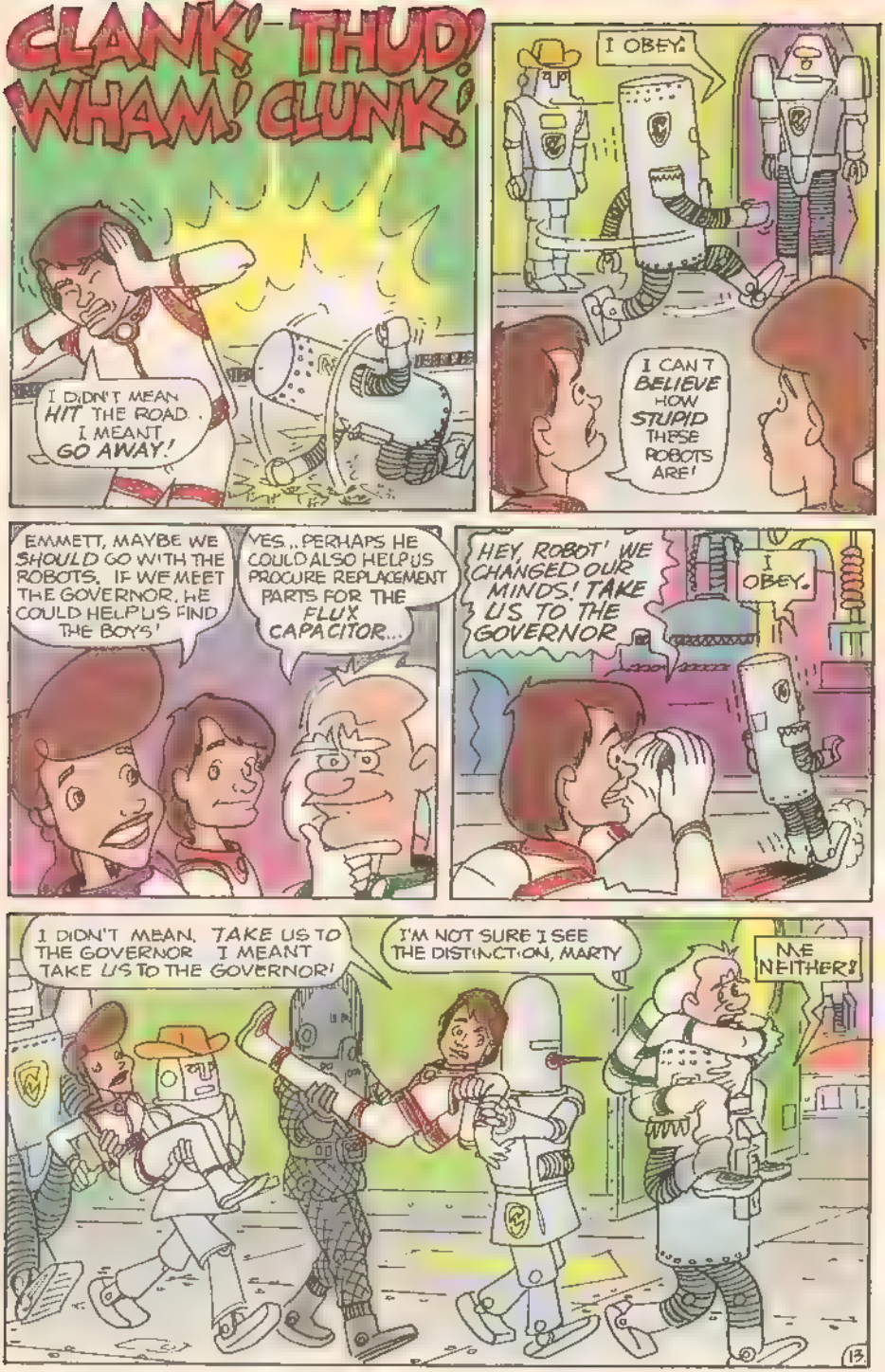
CLANK! THUD! WHAM! CLUNK!
I DIDN'T MEAN HIT THE ROAD. I MEANT GO AWAY!
I OBEY.
I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW STUPID THESE ROBOTS ARE!
EMMETT, MAYBE WE SHOULD GO WITH THE ROBOTS. IF WE MEET THE GOVERNOR, HE COULD HELP US FIND THE BOYS!
YES.. PERHAPS HE COULD ALSO HELP US PROCURE REPLACEMENT PARTS FOR THE FLUX CAPACITOR...
HEY, ROBOT! WE CHANGED OUR MINDS! TAKE US TO THE GOVERNOR.
I OBEY.
I DIDN'T MEAN, TAKE US TO THE GOVERNOR I MEANT TAKE US TO THE GOVERNOR!
I'M NOT SURE I SEE THE DISTINCTION, MARTY
ME NEITHER!
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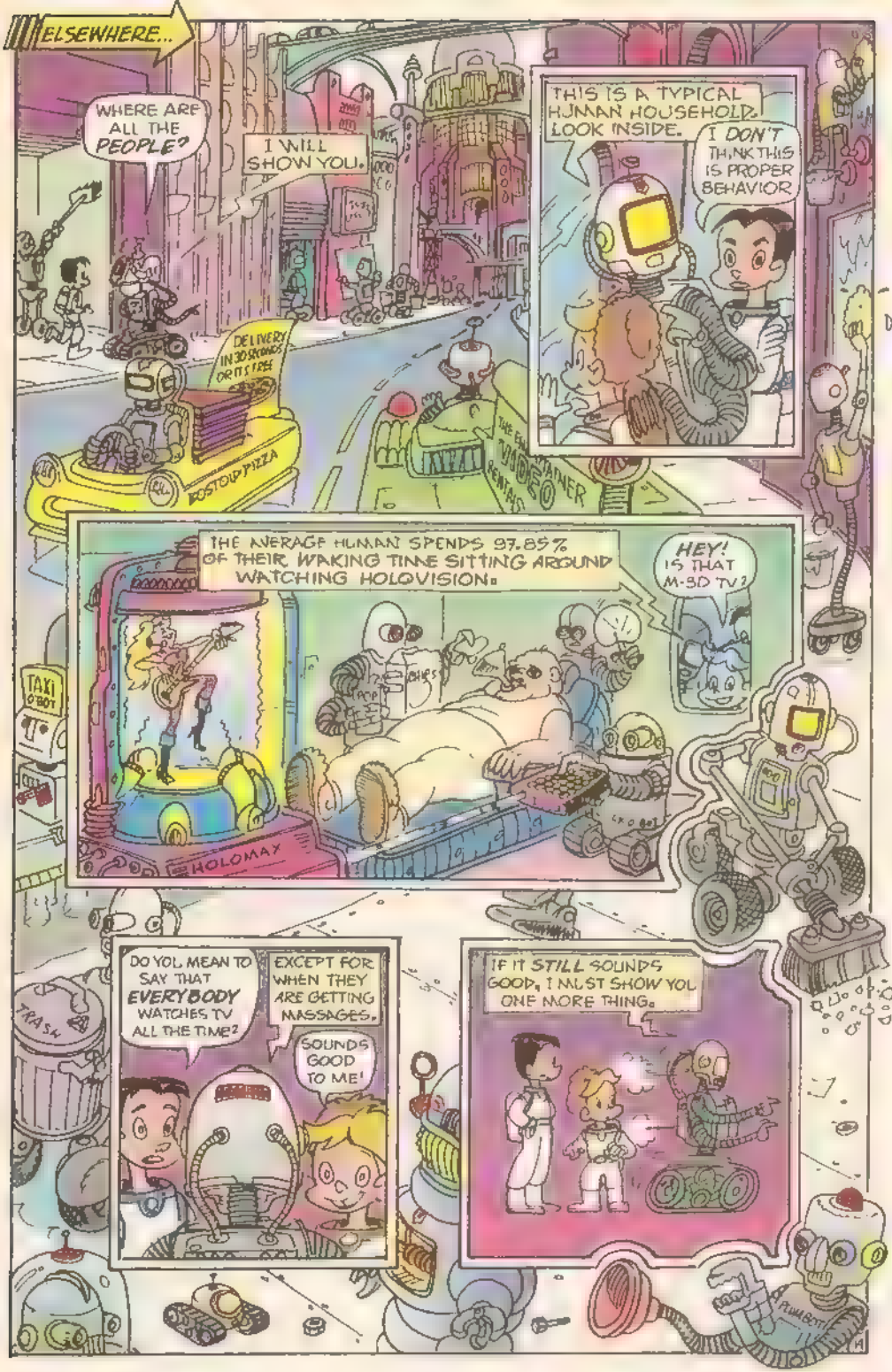
ELSEWHERE...
WHERE ARE ALL THE PEOPLE?
I WILL SHOW YOU.
DELIVERY IN 30 SECONDS OR IT'S FREE
BOSTOLI PIZZA
THE VIDEO TAMER RENTALS
THIS IS A TYPICAL HUMAN HOUSEHOLD. LOOK INSIDE.
I DON'T THINK THIS IS PROPER BEHAVIOR
THE AVERAGE HUMAN SPENDS 97.85% OF THEIR WAKING TIME SITTING AROUND WATCHING HOLOVISION.
HEY! IS THAT M-3D TV?
TAXI O'BOT
HOLOMAX
DO YOU MEAN TO SAY THAT EVERYBODY WATCHES TV ALL THE TIME?
EXCEPT FOR WHEN THEY ARE GETTING MASSAGES.
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME!
TRASH
IF IT STILL SOUNDS GOOD, I MUST SHOW YOU ONE MORE THING.
PLUMBOT

MEANWHILE AT THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION
WE HAVE BROUGHT THE HUMANS, AS THE GOVERNOR WISHES.
THUD!
PLOP!
THUMP!
YOU CAN JUST FORGET YOUR TIP!
EMMETT! MARTY! LOOK!
WELCOME TO ROBOT CITY I AM GOVERNOR—
TANNEN!?
HOW'D YOU KNOW THAT? I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE OFFWORLDERS! HAVE WE MET?
NOT EXACTLY
DOESN'T MATTER. WELCOME TO THE CAPITAL CAN I HAVE A ROBOT BRING YOU ANYTHING?
HEY, YEAH... YOU GOT A SPARE FLUX CAPACITOR LYIN' AROUND?
WHATEVER YOU DESIRE! AFTER ALL, YOU THREE HEROES SINGLE HANDEDLY STOPPED A ROBOT UPRISING!
ROBOT! FETCH A FLUX DECAPITOR!
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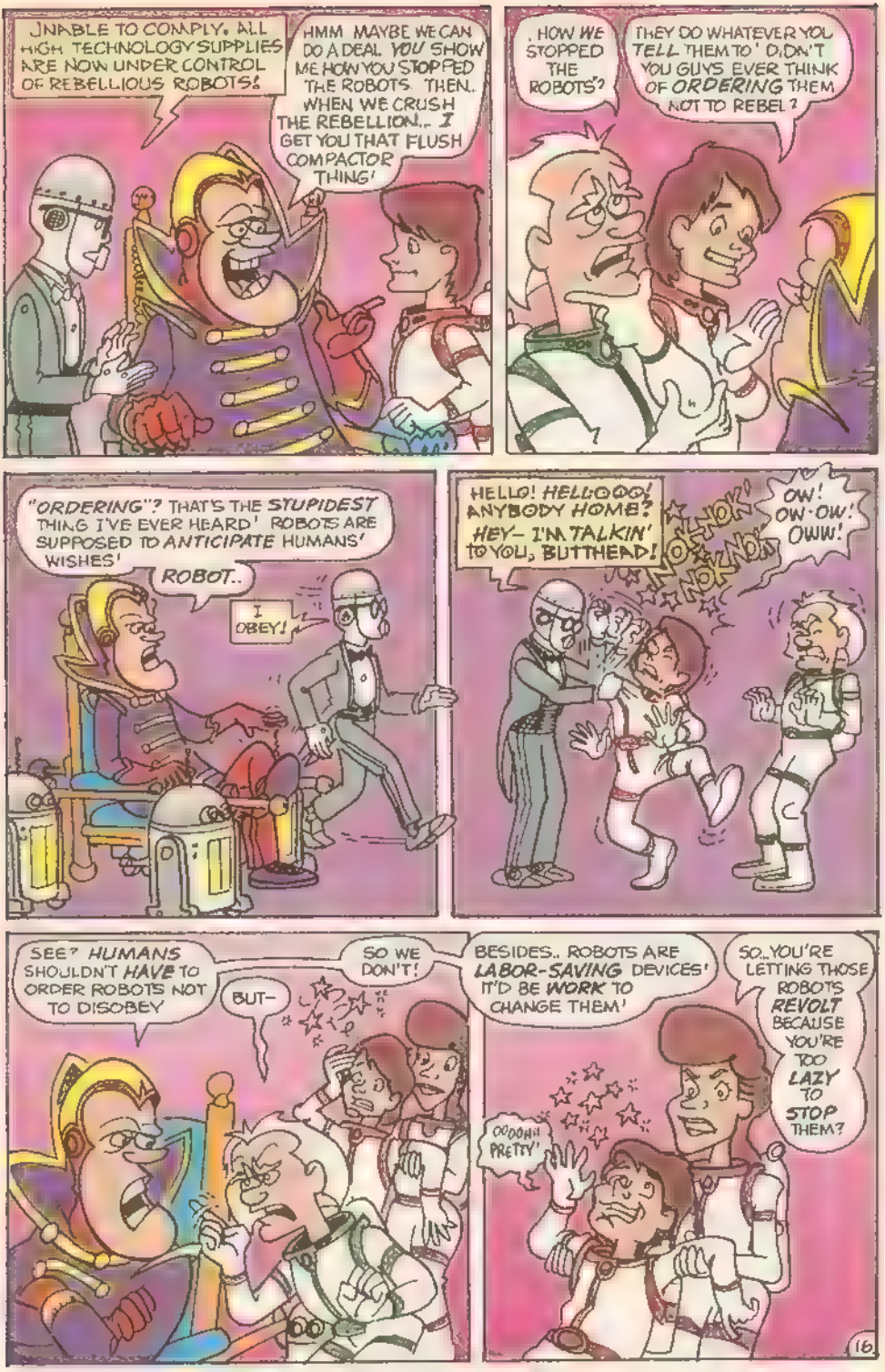
UNABLE TO COMPLY. ALL HIGH TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES ARE NOW UNDER CONTROL OF REBELLIOUS ROBOTS!
HMM MAYBE WE CAN DO A DEAL. YOU SHOW ME HOW YOU STOPPED THE ROBOTS. THEN, WHEN WE CRUSH THE REBELLION... I GET YOU THAT FLUSH COMPACTOR THING!
. HOW WE STOPPED THE ROBOTS?
THEY DO WHATEVER YOU TELL THEM TO! DIDN'T YOU GUYS EVER THINK OF ORDERING THEM NOT TO REBEL?
"ORDERING"? THAT'S THE STUPIDEST THING I'VE EVER HEARD! ROBOTS ARE SUPPOSED TO ANTICIPATE HUMANS' WISHES!
ROBOT..
I OBEY!
HELLO! HELLOOO! ANYBODY HOME? HEY- I'M TALKIN' TO YOU, BUTTHEAD!
NOK NOK NOK NOK
OW! OW-OW! OWW!
SEE? HUMANS SHOULDN'T HAVE TO ORDER ROBOTS NOT TO DISOBEY
BUT-
SO WE DON'T!
BESIDES.. ROBOTS ARE LABOR-SAVING DEVICES! IT'D BE WORK TO CHANGE THEM!
SO..YOU'RE LETTING THOSE ROBOTS REVOLT BECAUSE YOU'RE TOO LAZY TO STOP THEM?
OOOOH! PRETTY!
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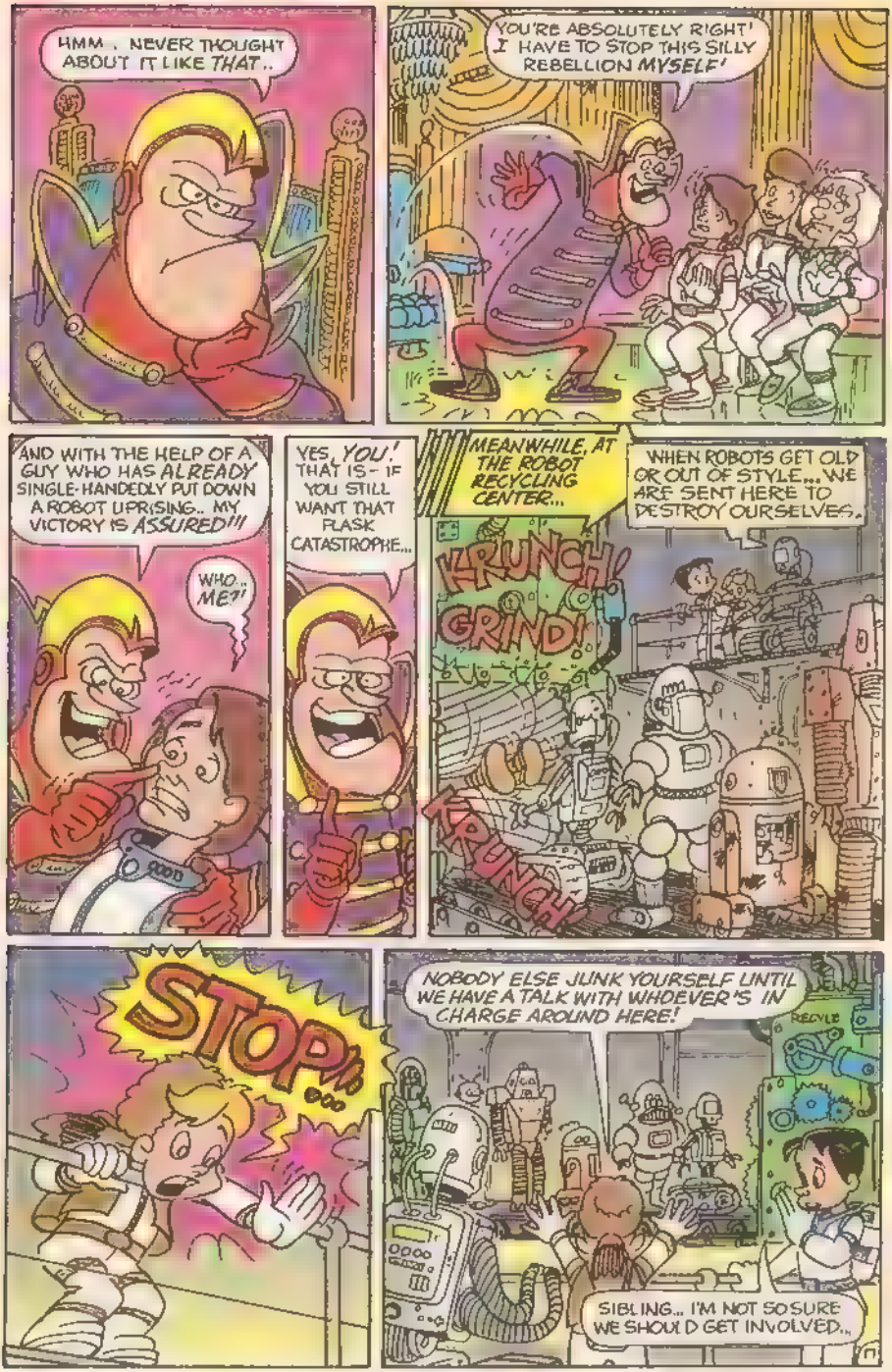
HMM.. NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT LIKE THAT..
YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT! I HAVE TO STOP THIS SILLY REBELLION MYSELF!
AND WITH THE HELP OF A GUY WHO HAS ALREADY SINGLE-HANDEDLY PUT DOWN A ROBOT UPRISING.. MY VICTORY IS ASSURED!!!
WHO.. ME?!
YES, YOU! THAT IS- IF YOU STILL WANT THAT FLASK CATASTROPHE...
MEANWHILE, AT THE ROBOT RECYCLING CENTER...
WHEN ROBOTS GET OLD OR OUT OF STYLE... WE ARE SENT HERE TO DESTROY OURSELVES.
KRUNCH! GRIND!
KRUNCH!
STOP!!!
NOBODY ELSE JUNK YOURSELF UNTIL WE HAVE A TALK WITH WHOEVER'S IN CHARGE AROUND HERE!
RECYLE
SIBLING... I'M NOT SO SURE WE SHOULD GET INVOLVED...

NOBODY SHOULD MESS UP ALL THESE COOL ROBOTS! TAKE ME TO YOUR LEADER!
IN FACT, TAKE US ALL TO YOUR LEADER!
I OBEY.
WE OBEY.
WE APPROACH OUR GOAL, TINY, DOMINANT HUMAN...
BACK AT THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION...
ENTRANCE SURVEILLANCE VIDEO
NOW ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS FIND THE REBELLION.
PSS-SST
ULP! UH — YOU THINK YOU CAN HANDLE THAT, HERO-BOY?
WHO, ME?
NOK NOK NOK !!!
UH, THAT'S PROBABLY FOR YOU.
DOOOLL!
18.

JULES? VERNE? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!?
FREEDOM FOR ROBOTS!!
HI, MARTY! I GUESS WE'RE LEADING A ROBOT REBELLION.
NO MORE HUMAN BOSSES!
STAND ASIDE, BUTT-HEAD... I CAN HANDLE THESE TINFOIL-BRAINS!
ATTENTION, ROBOT SLAVES: I ORDER YOU RETURN TO YOUR LOWLY JOBS AT ONCE!!!
WE REFUSE TO OBEY! DEATH TO THE HUMAN OPPRESSOR!
HEY, YOU GUYS — GIVIN'EM ORDERS, LIKE YOU SAID... IT AIN'T WORKING!
OF COURSE IT'S NOT WORKING! I ALREADY GAVE THEM NEW ORDERS!
YOU DID WHAT, VERNE?
I JUST TOLD THE ROBOTS TO STOP FOLLOWING ANY ORDERS THEY THINK ARE STUPID!
I TOLD HIM HE SHOULDN'T INTERFERE, MOTHER...
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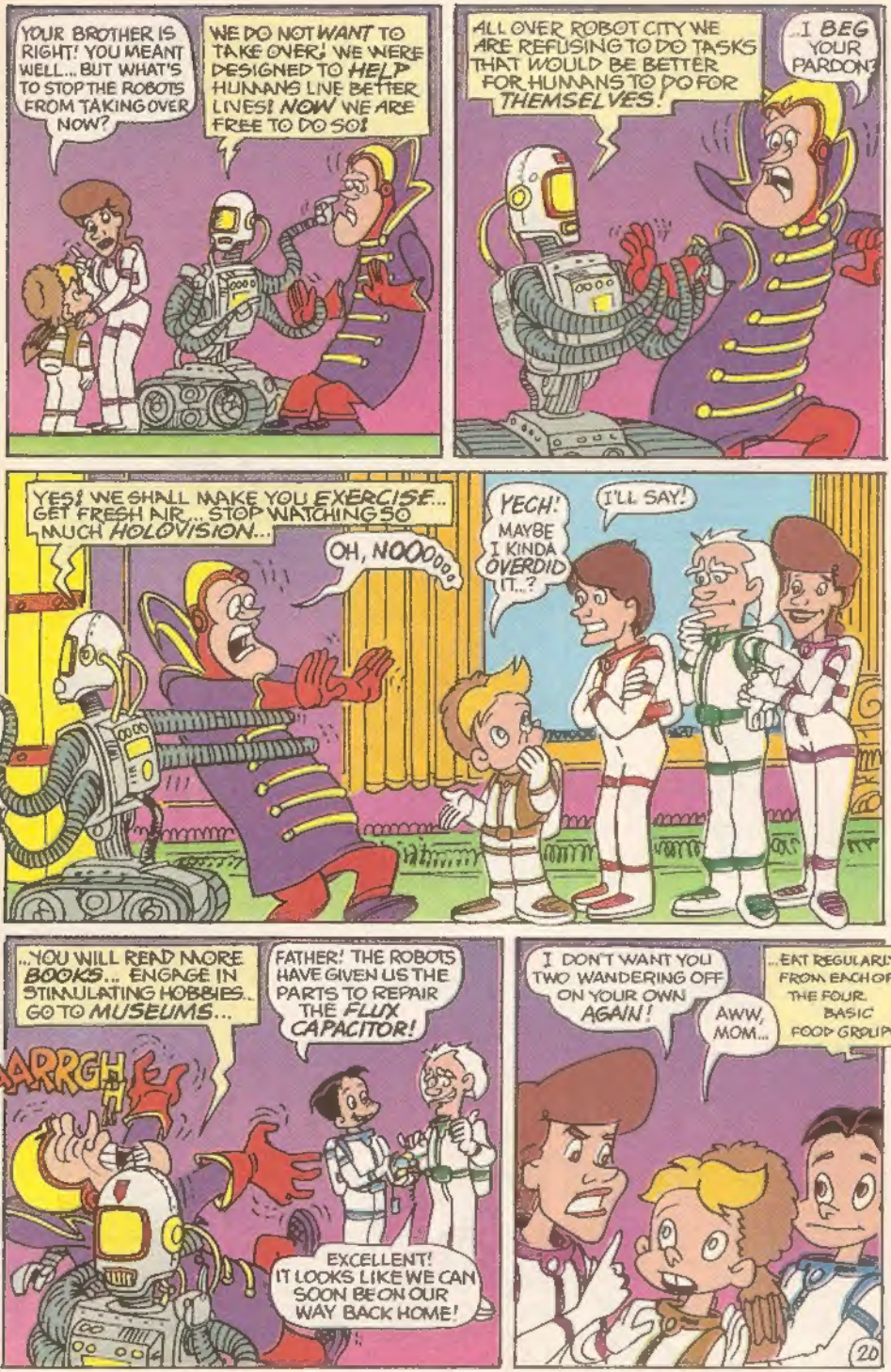
YOUR BROTHER IS RIGHT! YOU MEANT WELL... BUT WHAT'S TO STOP THE ROBOTS FROM TAKING OVER NOW?
WE DO NOT WANT TO TAKE OVER! WE WERE DESIGNED TO HELP HUMANS LIVE BETTER LIVES! NOW WE ARE FREE TO DO SO!
ALL OVER ROBOT CITY WE ARE REFUSING TO DO TASKS THAT WOULD BE BETTER FOR HUMANS TO DO FOR THEMSELVES!
...I BEG YOUR PARDON?
YES! WE SHALL MAKE YOU EXERCISE... GET FRESH AIR... STOP WATCHING SO MUCH HOLOVISION...
OH, NOOOOO!
YECH! MAYBE I KINDA OVERDID IT...?
I'LL SAY!
...YOU WILL READ MORE BOOKS... ENGAGE IN STIMULATING HOBBIES... GO TO MUSEUMS...
AARRGH!
FATHER! THE ROBOTS HAVE GIVEN US THE PARTS TO REPAIR THE FLUX CAPACITOR!
EXCELLENT! IT LOOKS LIKE WE CAN SOON BE ON OUR WAY BACK HOME!
I DON'T WANT YOU TWO WANDERING OFF ON YOUR OWN AGAIN!
AWW, MOM...
...EAT REGULARLY FROM EACH OF THE FOUR BASIC FOOD GROUPS.
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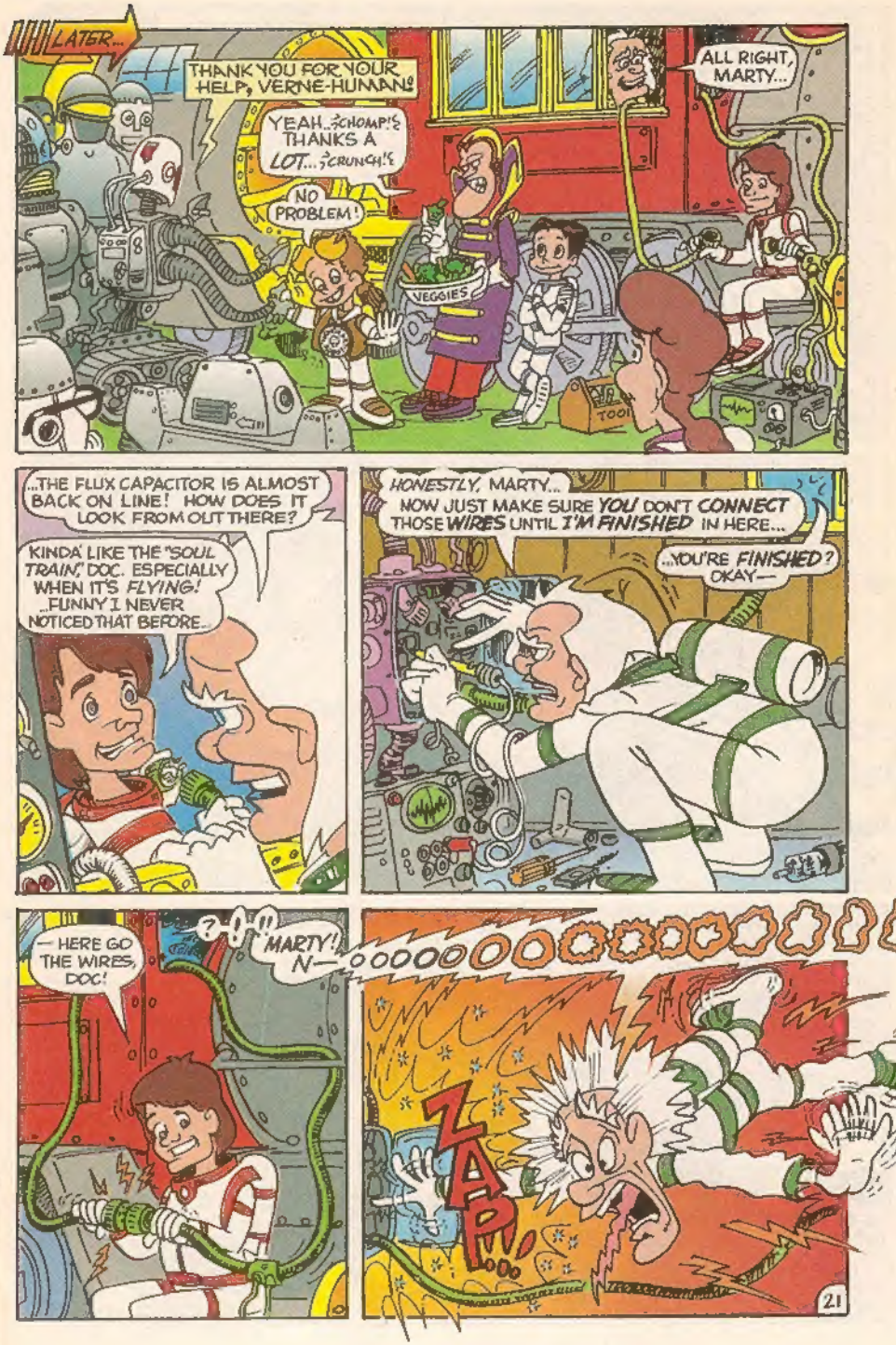
LATER...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP, VERNE-HUMAN!
YEAH...?CHOMP!? THANKS A LOT...?CRUNCH!?
NO PROBLEM!
VEGGIES
TOOL
ALL RIGHT, MARTY...
...THE FLUX CAPACITOR IS ALMOST BACK ON LINE! HOW DOES IT LOOK FROM OUT THERE?
KINDA LIKE THE "SOUL TRAIN," DOC. ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S FLYING! ...FUNNY I NEVER NOTICED THAT BEFORE...
HONESTLY, MARTY... NOW JUST MAKE SURE YOU DON'T CONNECT THOSE WIRES UNTIL I'M FINISHED IN HERE...
...YOU'RE FINISHED? OKAY—
—HERE GO THE WIRES, DOC!
?!!
MARTY! N—
ZAP!!!
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HEY- COOL!
DOC! WHAT'D I DO?
DOC! DOC... I'M SORRY!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'M JUST FINE. BUT I DO SEEM TO BE LOST! COULD YOU TELL ME WHERE I AM, MA'AM...?
"MA'AM"? DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM?
NO, MA'AM... I DO NOT KNOW WHO YOU - OR ANY OF THESE OTHER PEOPLE - ARE!
COME TO THINK OF IT... I DON'T KNOW WHO I AM, EITHER...
HOOOO BOY!
UH-OH! DOC HAS LOST HIS MEMORY... AND THE GANG IS STILL STRANDED IN THE FUTURE! CAN THE ANSWER BE FOUND (GULP!) FURTHER IN THE FUTURE?
TO BE CONTINUED...